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Changes for waterfront additions

by CHAD INGRAM

_____Times Staff

Members of Algonquin Highlands council passed amendments to the township's official plan during an Aug. 16 meeting.

Official plans are municipalities' blueprints when it comes to guiding planning and development, and are reviewed and updated on an ongoing basis as per provincial requirements. Algonquin Highlands' last official plan update was completed in 2011.

One of the changes within waterfront areas is that a reduction in the required setback from the shoreline may be permitted for an addition to an existing building.

This was an amendment that raised the brow of Mayor Carol Moffatt.

"I have some concerns around that," Moffatt said. "Just in terms of other work that we've been doing, certainly with the county, in terms of shoreline preservation and naturalization in these sensitive habitats, but also with flooding... On one hand, we are putting policy in place for climate change, we're doing some work at the county about what those mitigation strategies might look like."

"Should we be allowing the possible permission of extension forward, given those circumstances?" Moffatt asked.

"The zoning bylaw would address and put some parameters on what those additions could be," said the township's planning consultant,

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Dorset love

A girl receives a henna tattoo during the LoveFest street festival on Saturday, Aug. 18 on West Harvey Avenue in Dorset. This year's event included live music, artists, food vendors and interactive activities. Read more on page 13. /DARREN **LUM Staff**

Pride Week sends message of acceptance

by SUE TIFFIN

Times Staff

Minden's third annual Pride Week is in fullswing this week, with fun events and activities open to anyone in the area who is looking to celebrate the LGBTQ2+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning, two-spirit, and others) community.

Pride events are held around the world to take a positive stand against discrimination and

violence toward LGBTQ2+ people to promote their self-affirmation, dignity, equality rights, increase their visibility as a social group, build community and celebrate sexual diversity and gender variance.

The launch of Minden Pride two years ago was initiated as a response to hate crimes in Orlando and Haliburton in 2016 that targeted members of the LGBTQ2+ community.

Last year's local Pride Week was immensely popular, and this year organizers have worked to plan events that further the celebration of culture, heritage and diversity within the village.

The week kicked off with a Pride flag raising at the municipal offices on Aug. 20, the third in Minden's history.

"The rainbow flag is important because it's a very prominent and visible symbol that indicates that the community is an accepting and welcoming place," said David Rankin, Minden Pride chair. "It shows individuals, residents and visitors, who come in to Minden Hills that this is a safe place to be. It also, I think very importantly, highlights to youth who can feel a little

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Pride Week adds street festival this year

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bit alone and isolated when they are part of the queer community that they aren't alone and that not only is there some acceptance, but the representatives in government support them."

About 80 people attended the flag raising Monday.

Minden resident Brigitte Gall was the master of ceremonies at the event, and musician Chris Smith provided musical accompaniment for the national anthem.

Rankin, Sinclair Russell and Councillor Jeanne Anthon addressed the crowd. A reception at Up River Trading Co. followed the event.

"I was very proud and very happy to see that was happening," said Rankin, of his experience at last year's flag raising. "I'm a newer resident to Minden Hills, I've been [here] for five years, and I myself felt very welcome all along, but seeing the flag rising was quite an awe-inspiring experience to know that in what is a smaller community, how accepting that community can be, because traditionally smaller communities are not seen that way and it sort of highlighted that that stereotype may not be true."

On Tuesday, Aug. 21, a screening of the audience-approved and multiple award-winning film Were the World Mine was planned for the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

"This film deals with the struggles of high school students, in a small town, coming to terms with having the community accept who they are," said Rankin. "It's fun and it's magical and it's a musical which appeals to some and not to others. But really it helps again to highlight to people who see the film, in a fun way, that there can be acceptance for queer youth in a small town and that people are welcoming and open and maybe they have to give a little bit of voice to who they are, but then it can work out very favourably for them."

Rankin said when he saw the film himself at a film festival, the audience was receptive to it.

The chair's reception meet and greet event was to be held at Boshkung Social on Water Street on Wednesday, Aug. 22, a busy gathering place for members of the LGBTQ2+ and allies. Rankin said the Boshkung Social team has been supportive of the event.

"It's an opportunity for people to network, to have some fun, to interact with other members of the community, all of the LGBTQ2+ ally community, so that we can sort of show that we have a presence here and we are part of the community, consumers within the community and we're good for business just having a presence within Minden," said Rankin.





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The Tea Dance will take place on Saturday, Aug. 25 at Grill on the Gull from 4 to 8 p.m., and promises to be a fun-filled time.

"The tea dance, number one, it's just a fun event," said Rankin. "It's a dance with good music and everyone is just in a happy mood. We've called it Mad for Plaid, we're hoping that people come out in their Haliburton dinner jackets, but it has a historical significance. Tea dances came out of the beginning of the last century when morality laws restricted same sex dance partners. Liquor establishments were threatened with losing their licences if they were found to be permitting dancing between the same sex. So what they did was, they would hold tea dances. They would be held in the afternoon and they would be serving tea so that there was no risk of losing their licence.... Tea dances are a very traditional, historical and fun part of queer culture."

On Sunday, Aug. 26, a Loud and Proud church service at St. Paul's Anglican Church at 12:30 p.m. will feature greetings and benediction by Barry Robb of St. Paul's Anglican Church, Reverend Max Ward of United Church as the main speaker, and music by Eric Casper, Andy Salvatori and Cathy Salvatori.

"Traditionally, religion and queer communities don't often blend well so we're very fortunate that this is again something that is part of our celebration," said Rankin. "They're being very warm and welcoming to us, it brings in many members from the community. It's ecumenical to show there's diversity and we're not focused on one small area, and it's open, and hopefully it will allow people to understand we're an open and welcoming

community."

Later that day, the first Minden Pride Street Fest gets underway from 1 to 4 p.m. at the intersection of Water Street and Bobcaygeon Road. The Street Fest is open to everyone and features food, entertainment, games and prizes.

"We hope we're going to welcome a lot of people," said Rankin. "Local community members, those who are permanent, seasonal residents and visitors passing through."

Though Pride Week is met with celebration in Minden, Rankin said there is still a need to work toward equality, even locally.

"Even though it has been very accepting here, there are still instances, and that concerns me for youth who are coming out to get that push-back," he said. "They really need to see this is a supportive community, they need to see that it's visible, and it's fun which brings people in but it gives them the feeling of safety and confidence.'

Rankin acknowledged what he called "wonderful support" from the township, and said Janet Baker and Ivan Ingram have been helpful in figuring out the intricacies of event planning. With that all done, the only thing left to do is enjoy the week.

"We just hope people can come out and join us for celebration, develop awareness, and show those in the community that we are a very strong and proud and diverse community that can have fun," said Rankin.

For more information, visit Minden Pride on Facebook.



Minden Hills council's Jeanne Anthon, far left, receives a hug after raising the rainbow flag to kick off Minden's Pride Week with close to 80 people, including the Minden Pride Committee chairperson David Rankin, at front, and members Jeremy Blackmore, Sinclair Russell and Jackie Wells in attendance for the town's third flag raising on Monday, Aug. 20 at the Minden Hills township office. Minden Pride Week was made possible by the Minden Pride Committee, which includes Pam Sayne and Jack Brezina, who were absent, with the support of volunteers, the community and merchants. /DARREN LUM Staff



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Rubbing elbows with royalty

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

The following is a sequel to the feature "Growing Up Gay in Haliburton County", which was published during last year's Minden Pride event.

Designer and decorator Sinclair Russell says it was ultimately his sexuality that led to a career that would eventually take him around the world, crossing paths with celebrities and members of high society along the way.

"Because I was gay, I got into some very interesting career moves, and kind of built one on the other," says Russell.

Born and raised in Haliburton County, Carnarvon to be specific, Russell, 74, moved to Toronto toward the end of his high school years, where he discovered a whole community of young men like himself. Had he been straight, he muses, he may have simply taken a day job in Haliburton County and never left.

His first job in the industry was designing window displays for Simpsons department store in Toronto, a line of work Russell says was almost exclusively the domain of gay men. From there, he took a job designing displays for Bonniers department store on New York City's Madison Avenue, the Bonniers being an extremely wealthy family of Swedish descent.

"That's where I met some interesting people in the fashion industry," Russell says, explaining the high-profile Bonniers were connected to all sorts of other rich and famous people.

"So I met Kurt Vonnegut," he says, producing a photo spread showing him and the famous author at an event together. "They were all friends.'

One character connected to the Bonnier family was actor Kevin McCarthy, whose friends included other actors, such as

'All of a sudden, I got to have dinner with these movie stars," Russell says. "I was just this kid from Carnarvon."

Fashion designer friends included Geoffrey Beene and Daniel Hechter, the latter of whom Russell once paid a visit to at his

"His apartment was the top two floors," he recalls. While Russell was there, he says, Hechter's daughter and friend came in briefly.

"After they left, he said, 'Do you know who that was?"

"I said, 'Yeah, that was your daughter," Russell says.

"He said, 'Yeah, but do you know who the other girl was?"" "I said, 'No," Russell recalls. "He said, 'That was Princess Stephanie of Monaco."

Stephanie was not the only princess Russell would meet during his career.

For the millennium New Year's Eve, he was in Switzerland where he did decor for a party thrown by Hungarian-born Canadian businessman Peter Munk and his wife Melanie. Among the elite members of the guest list was Sarah Ferguson, Duchess of York, with her daughters, Eugenie and Beatrix.

"Sarah and the girls were there," Russell, an avid royal-watcher, says, pointing to a photo in his album.

Among other celebrities Russell crossed paths with during his

career, were Sir Alan Bates, Rudolph Nureyev, Peter O'Toole and fashion icons Gianni Versace and Giorgio Armani. As part of a long eclectic career, Russell designed showrooms in Florence Milan and Rome

While Minden may be a long way from Madison Avenue or the runways of Italy, Russell has lent his panache and eye for detail to a number of local events since returning to Haliburton County a few years ago. They include Festival of the August Moon, the Minden Hills Festival of Trees, the annual Christmas light up in downtown Minden and Minden Pride, of which he was a founder.



Sinclair Russell holds a photo of a slightly younger version of himself at the Scarlett Ball, one of many galas he did decor for throughout this career. Russell's career took him around the world, crossing paths with authors, movie stars, celebrities and royalty. /CHAD INGRAM Staff



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Taking it to the street

Above, deal-seekers peruse items outside Up River Trading Co. during the annual sidewalk sale in downtown Minden on Aug. 15. A number of merchants had wares displayed outside for the day.

Below, one never knows what they might find at the Minden sidewalk sale. /CHAD INGRAM Staff





Above, shoppers check out items along Bobcaygeon Road during the annual sidewalk sale in Minden on Aug. 15. Below, there were many summery items to be found.







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Pride times three

CHAD INGRAM

Reporter

THIS WEEK MARKS the third annual Minden Pride, a celebration of inclusion and diversity that began as a picnic two summers ago, and has blossomed into a weeklong series of events.

Things kicked off Monday morning with a raising of the rainbow flag outside the Minden Hills township office and will conclude with a street festival along Water Street on Sunday afternoon.

Pride celebrations are held in many communities across Ontario and Canada at this point in time, Toronto's the largest and most famous. It's likely Minden is among the smallest communities to

host its own pride celebration, something residents can be proud of. Certainly, I've heard remarks from residents of larger cities who are surprised that Minden, as small as it is, and in such a traditionally conservative area, has a pride event at all. It remains the only community in Haliburton County to host such a celebration each year, and thank you to the organizers for all their work.

But behind the joviality of the occasion, it's important to recall why it's held in the first place. While Canada may be considered one of the world's most gayfriendly countries, recall that not so long ago, a matter of a few decades, homosexual activity was still against the law in this country.

"There is no place for the state

in the bedrooms of the nation," then-justice minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau famously said, as he introduced reforms to modernize Canada's criminal code in 1967.

It was just 13 years ago that Canada became the fourth country in the world, and the first outside of Europe, to legalize same-sex marriage. However, we all know that socially, homophobic attitudes and language are often displayed

in our culture, and we are likely still a long way from seeing those bigoted attitudes vanquished completely.

Instances of homophobic violence still occur frequently around the world, and there are still

a number of countries where homosexuality is not only illegal, but punishable by death, or where people, particularly men, caught in homosexual acts are subject to atrocities such as flogging and stoning.

Think about the brutality of

Aside from the international political statement of a pride celebration, it also sends a reassuring and comforting message to any local people, especially young ones, who may be struggling with their sexuality, or struggling to tell their family and friends about it.

The rainbow flags draped around Minden this week are hopefully a sign to everyone that they live in an inclusive and supportive community.



Photo by Darren Lum

Canning bushytails

VERY YEAR, ABOUT this time, I look through my freezer to determine the amount of game meat that we've got left from last season. Usually, by September, we're just about out.

As I was doing freezer inventory two weeks ago, I noticed we had a couple of wood ducks left as well as one package of venison and two packages containing the meat of six eastern grey squirrels in total.

I would have cried out in joy, but for

some inexplicable reason, Jenn does not like squirrel meat like normal people do.

She dislikes it so much that I end up cooking it when she visits her sister or dad. In fact, the mere mention of cooking it will cause her to visit her sister or dad.

In any case, it occurred to me that squirrel season starts again in less than a month. So I thought I had better use what's left to clear the way for some fresh stuff.

So I got out my pressure cooker and pressure canned those squirrels. This is something I typically do with some cuts of venison. Pressure canning breaks down tough cuts of meat and tenderizes it so that it melts in your mouth. Canned venison is great on sandwiches or in stews. That's when I figured, why not squirrel?

For me, this was my E=MC2 moment. I'm pleased to say it turned out great and for the next little while I enjoyed squirrel on a bun every second day at lunch – which Jenn along with the local squirrel population found a little

disconcerting.

That's normal, however. My experience is that the minute I tell some people I enjoy a good feed of squirrel, they nod politely and then retch.

When you think of it, that's unfair. Squirrels consume good food: corn, apples, acorns, beech nuts and mushrooms to name a few. There's no reason they should taste anything but good. And they do.

Also, let's be clear. Those same people who retch at squirrel often enjoy

Tofurky.

The squirrel, which I canned with beef broth and steak spice, was tender and tasted very much like venison roast, which is, let me just point out, the exact opposite of Tofurky. There were no ill effects either, other than a strange urge to climb trees and buy nuts at the grocery store.

Right now, many of you are probably mulling over the one question that's troubling everyone, so I'll answer it directly – it takes three deboned squirrels to fill up one 500 ml jar. This means since the legal possession limit for squirrel is 15, you'll need to have at least five 500 ml jars ready to go for mid-September. There. Now you can sleep at night.

I was mentioning this to Jenn the other day just before I finally found my 500 ml jars in the darkest corner of the basement, under a pile of cardboard, tucked deep behind the furnace oil tank.

I must be getting old. For the life of me, I don't remember putting them



STEVE GALEA

Beyond 35

INOTHERWORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Worrisome weather ahead

NDEED, IT HAS been a hot and dry summer. My records, based on Environment Canada data, show 20 daytime highs of 30 Celsius or higher and an average daytime high of 26 C.

I worry that more lie ahead, and they will be hotter and drier (or wetter depending on where you live).

This year is on course to become the 42nd consecutive year with global temperatures above the 20th century average. Sixteen of the warmest years on record for the globe have occurred in the last 17 years.

This is not a simple freak event of nature, a natural climate fluctuation. This is a sustained warming. The planet's average surface air temperature has risen almost two degrees Fahrenheit over the last 115 years.

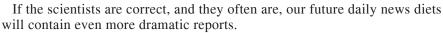
Scientists say the warming is continuing and that more frequent and more

intense extreme high temperatures are a certainty. So are extreme precipitation events that include

floods and droughts. New scientific studies say that the next five years will be abnormally warm, perhaps extremely

so, and we should be preparing ourselves for a new normal in terms of chaotic weather. We already have had a glimpse of what a new

normal could bring. This year our newscasts have been filled with shocking video clips of cars floating down city streets, funnel clouds wiping out neighbourhoods and forest fires creating scenes from Hell.



JIM POLING SR.

From Shaman's Rock

You don't have to believe or not believe in global warming. Just observe what is happening and think about what more weather turmoil will mean to our lives. Encourage politicians to prepare to deal with more weather disasters.

Our economy, our agriculture, our drinking water, and our health already are being affected. Studies have shown a worldwide increase in respiratory problems and deaths during abnormal heat events. (Roughly 100 Quebeckers died during heat waves in that province this summer).

The socioeconomic effects of changing climate are not hard to imagine, and like with everything else, the poor and underprivileged will suffer first

There is plenty of evidence of the Arctic melting and the oceans rising. The global average sea level is seven to eight inches higher than it was in 1900. Almost one-half of that rise has occurred since 2000 and some scientists do not rule out a further rise of up to eight feet over the next 80 years.

Such a catastrophic rise would wipe out some major coastal communities. Kiss those Florida beach vacations goodbye Snowbirds?

This long-term global warming, how it might affect our lives and how we need to prepare deserves some deep thinking.

In the meantime, the immediate concern of many of us is what the coming fall and winter will be like.

Climate models show there is a 60 per cent chance of us getting an El Niño effect this fall. El Niño years see a warming of the Pacific Ocean, which often leads to warm, wet conditions across North America. La Niña years see a cooling of the Pacific and generally a worldwide cooling.

The World Meteorological Association (WMO) says the La Niña now fading was the warmest in history. That should have meant a cooler summer but this one is likely to be one of the warmest.

WMO also says there is a 70 per cent chance that we will have a 2018-2019 El Niño winter. That could mean milder temperatures in winter with periods of rainfalls, instead of snow.

All the scientific stuff indicates that while the planet is getting warmer we still will have cold winters with colder-than-normal spells. The heat will return, however, with summers getting progressively hotter.

Last winter showed some of that pattern. Some bitterly cold days, especially in December, followed by milder temperatures.

There also were what appeared to be more days of rain last winter. Environment Canada readings for the Minden-Haliburton region show it rained at least a bit on 29 days last winter. It snowed on 55 days.

It is too early for any reasonably accurate predictions for the coming winter. Meanwhile there is plenty of heat and humidity to enjoy, or not, before

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Sodium/Salt

Practical Fitness

JUST LEARNED that the word "salary" was derived from the word "salt." That's because thousands of years ago, it was a method of trade and used as currency. My, how things have changed.

Sodium chloride, the chemical name for salt, is an essential element in the diet of humans, animals and many plants. It is also one of the most effective of all the food preservatives used today. We all know how it can improve the taste of food. In fact, the world "salad" originated from "salt" when the

Romans used it to flavour their leafy greens and vegetables all those years ago.

Somewhere along the line things changed drastically. The benefits are now sometimes outweighed by the risks of consuming too much salt. For the average adult 1,500 mg of salt per day is the recommended amount. To put this into perspective, a single teaspoon of regular table salt is approximately 2,300 mg. That is

the maximum amount we should be consuming on a daily basis – if our health is good.

The tricky thing is that salt is in so many foods now that it's hard to avoid it. Anything processed contains salt. Thank goodness there are labels that tell us how much salt is contained in a serving of those foods, but there is salt in natural foods as well. Here are some examples:

- A single raw carrot 50 mg
- 1 cup of cucumber 2 mg
- 1 cup of peas 6 mg
- 1 average sized tomato 6 mg

• 1 cup of celery – 81 mg (this is not a typo).

Consuming too much salt in diets can lead to high blood pressure, stroke, heart disease, and heart failure. It has also been linked to the development of stomach cancer. It is bad for people suffering from osteoporosis because the amount of calcium lost during urination is increased with the amount of salt consumed.

Sadly, we have developed an addiction to the taste of salt. A few years ago, there was a newsworthy story that talked about how

> Canadian packaged cereals contained more salt than the same cereal that could be purchased in the United States. We do love our salt!

> It is possible to break the habit by cutting back a little at a time. Start with calculating how much you are currently consuming. Be honest with the numbers. Then strategize on how to remove a specific amount every few days. Perhaps

that means changing the breakfast cereal you are choosing or making soup from scratch instead of using a canned product. There are now options for low or no sodium stewed tomatoes. Where there is a will there is a way. This is something you have to want to do. It's better to make this kind of change before it's not a choice anymore.

Something to think about.

Laurie Sweig is a certified personal fitness trainer and spinning instructor. She owns and operates The Point for Fitness. She can be reached at laurie@thepointforfitness.com.



The local health unit is strongly urging the Ontario government to reverse course and at least see the Basic Income Guarantee through to the end of its original three-year pilot phase.

A letter containing this message has been sent to the provincial government on behalf of the HKPR Board of Health, which in 2016 endorsed a position statement calling for a Basic Income Guarantee pilot program in Ontario. The position statement cited the fact that eliminating poverty is an urgent public health issue, as people on low income are more likely to have health problems and die younger than people with higher income.

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit considers it "extremely concerning" that the Basic Income Guarantee (BIG) program is being cancelled, only months into what was to have been a three-year pilot phase. Under BIG, more than 4,000 people in Lindsay, Hamilton-Brant and Thunder Bay were taking part in the trial program, with each being guaranteed a minimum level of income.

"The province's decision is extremely concerning because the Basic Income Guarantee was an innovative program that had the potential to pay dividends in the fight against poverty," says Kristina Nairn, a social determinants of health nurse with the HKPR District Health Unit. "We are urging the provincial government to reconsider its decision, because the research from Ontario's pilot program would have been invaluable in seeing if BIG could cut poverty, help people pay their bills, support better health, and improve education and job prospects."

Nairn notes that not only the 4,000 people

- including hundreds of Lindsay residents enrolled in the BIG pilot will be negatively affected by the program's cancellation, but the estimated 1.7 million Ontarians currently living in poverty will be affected as well.

"BIG is a key approach that could help reduce the economic barriers to good health and ensure low-income individuals and families have sufficient income to meet their basic needs and live with dignity," she adds. "Without this research from the pilot program, we will never know for sure, and I think all of us in Ontario are poorer because of it.'

"In our own region, we see how poverty takes a human and social toll that hurts the community and leads to higher health care costs," adds Mary-Lou Mills, a social determinants of health nurse with the HKPR District Health Unit. "The BIG program had the potential to save taxpayer dollars, by reducing hospital emergency room visits, hospitalizations, work-related injuries, and mental health treatment. Participants in the Lindsay pilot have already experienced benefits of BIG in terms of improved housing, ability to further education to improve employment opportunities, ability to purchase more nutritious food and reduced reliance on food banks."

Seeing the three-year pilot program through to the end would have provided a clearer picture of its potential benefits. As Mills notes: "In many ways, the Basic Income Guarantee approach mirrors other successful policies like the Guaranteed Income Supplement for

-Submitted by the HKPR Health Unit













2018 Summer Free Family Events in Minden

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Thursday, Aug. 23

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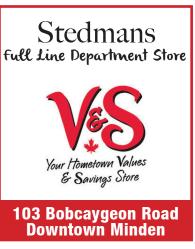


For more information on these events please call Lynda Litwin -Make it Minden Coordinator 705-286-2911 ext 235















Artists put their course work on display

Students in the Independent Studio Practice certificate course at Haliburton School of Art + Design are exhibiting their works in Minden.

On Friday, Aug. 10, an opening reception was held for the students, whose work adorns the Agnes Jamieson Gallery at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

The Independent Studio Practice is a 14-week program that runs from May to August and gives students the opportunity to work from home or from the campus. The class is comprised of working artists looking to further enhance their practice and recent fine arts graduates.

The students visit Toronto galleries and build grant and proposal writing skills.

While in the class, the students create one or more bodies of work, which is what is exhibited at the gallery in Minden.

You can see the work of the Independent Studio Practice artists until Saturday, Aug. 25 at the gallery.

The artists are Hanna Barasly, Ian Dodds, Paul Holman, Heather Nagel, Suzanne Price, Debbie Reeve, Janice Saunders, Renee Therrien and David Tomlin.

- Staff





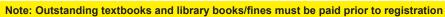
Students in the Independent Studio Practice course held an opening reception for their class work at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery in Minden on Friday, Aug. 10. Their work will be on display until Aug. 25. /Photo courtesy of Sandra Dupret



Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Registration for the School Year 2018-19

Tuesday, August 28th, 2018 - Last Names A-M 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. – *closed 4:30-5:30*

Wednesday, August 29th, 2018 - Last Names N-Z 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. – *closed 4:30-5:30*



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Communication camp brings families together for rare experience

by SUE TIFFIN Times Staff

For the past four years, Bethan McCutcheon has planned crafts and science experiments, organized schedules and sleeping arrangements and offered an unforgettable, unique camp experience to more than two dozen people annually from across Canada and the United States who have complex communication needs.

And it all happens in Minden, at Kinark Outdoor Centre.

The Moore Falls resident is mom to two teenage boys with Angelman Syndrome, a rare neurogenetic disorder which causes challenges including motor impairment that affects speech. Tecwyn and Tathan use Proloquo2Go, a communication app on their iPads that is loaded with a robust vocabulary so they can communicate with more autonomy. Communication camp is McCutcheon's way of ensuring people with complex communication needs and their families are supported in their use of alternative and augmentative communication (AAC) and can have fun. Twenty-six campers, all with Angelman Syndrome, attended the camp this year with their families. They ranged in age from four years old to 40 years old, and came from throughout Ontario including from North Bay, from Montreal, and from throughout the United States including from Pennsylvania and Missouri.

"It brings them to an environment where it normalizes everything," said McCutcheon. "It creates natural opportunities as well as structured opportunities to use AAC. It provides professional AAC support on the journey. No matter where you are coming from on the AAC journey: haven't started, just

started or been at it for years...you are in the right place.'

Despite the camp being her vision, McCutcheon acknowledges the numerous volunteers and sponsors that help her make it happen.

'Minden is such a kind and loving community," she said. "We are so proud of where we live. Volunteers from Minden come to Camp POM to cook, they donate resources and supplies, they fundraise, they come to participate, and they not only give but they

"When I made a commitment to volunteer at the camp, my thoughts were...children, help out in the community, families, new relationships, new experiences and more,' said Kinga Baricz, who offered to help at the camp for the first time this year. "What I got out of a whole day of volunteer work was more than expected. You need to be there to experience the energy level, positivity, blessing, laughter, togetherness, care for each other and much more. I think we do need to get out and help each other more. These connections change your outlook in life, makes you a better person and enrich other people's lives. Truly a life changing experience.'

Since McCutcheon has organized the camp, first at Camp Kirk with support from the Lions Club, and then at Kinark as it is closer to her home, she said dozens of friends, the community and sometimes local people she barely knows have stepped forward to cook, run learning sessions for caregivers and offer a helping hand to campers and their families to help encourage worry-free fun. She especially credits chef Sarah Hall for volunteering to create a healthy menu that caters to a variety of diets, shopping locally for ingredients and preparing meals in advance at the Kinmount community kitchen, which is do-

Kinark loves hosting POM and staff look forward to it every year. It's an honour to work with such a welcoming, grateful and happy community

— RYAN MORTELL

nated space. The meals allow families to join

'Camp POM has its hand out," she told the Times. "If you take a risk and grab it you will quickly know, we've got you. It's not a respite camp. But it is a camp where we all pitch in organically and that makes it so unique and allows the caregiver to exhale. People have come to be part of this camp because they know it's an inclusive place to be. They will be welcomed and met with a smile exactly as they are."

The Kinark staff quickly learns campers' names and helps facilitate activities, including swimming, boat rides, a flying squirrel high ropes element, crafts and science experiments. By engaging campers, staff and volunteers ensure parents and caregivers have time to connect with each other and learn in one-on-one or group education sessions.

"Kinark loves hosting POM and staff look forward to it every year," said Ryan Mortell, program manager. "It's an honour to work with such a welcoming, grateful and happy community and we're thankful to be part of the event."

The camp offers a sometimes rare opportunity for parents and their kids to relax, learn and meet in person away from online communities, and many families return each year, though new campers are welcomed

"Why do we return?" said Charles de Broin of Montreal, whose son Nicolas is 40 and whose family has attended the camp three years in a row. "Well, for the adventure, the warm welcome to a community that shares the same hopes and dreams for our children young and old, to be recognized as people, not labels. We also seek, like all the families that gather in this bucolic environment, to give voices to our children for them to be able to express themselves and make life

Jenn Reinheimer has travelled to the camp from Pennsylvania for the past four years, alternating visits with two of her three kids.

'Obviously it means the world to us," she said. "The fellowship with other families that 'just get it' is wonderful. Plus the experts that come in and give up their time to teach us all is the best.'

experts included Alicia Garcia, a speech-language pathologist from Muskoka, who offered AAC consultation to families, Trillium Lakelands District School Board special education consultant Sean McCutcheon who led parents through a session on what they need to know about developing the individualized education program their children use in public school, Karolina Krystyniak who led a session on shared reading, and Alison Rumball who created and collected resources for campers based on their own unique preferences.

Walkabout Farm Therapeutic Riding Association Inc. was also open to Camp POM participants during their visit to Minden.

Camp POM was supported with funding from the Canadian Angelman Syndrome Society and the community helped fundraise when Archie Stouffer Elementary School sold ice cream donated by Kawartha Dairy to students and photographer Eleanor Dobbins donated her stipend from photographing the ASES graduation party to the camp. Kinark receives provincial funding that serves children and families with respite opportunities and includes Camp POM in its budget, offsetting some of the expenses related to facility and summer staffing costs through federal and provincial grant opportunities throughout the year when possible.

The camp offers three hot meals to campers and their family each day, craft and experiment supplies, communication apps for those who need it, books and supplies including everything needed to continue with communication after camp down to tape families can use to hang communication pages in their homes, and surprises for campers, like flutter boards with laminated communication pages attached for campers to use in the water. If in need, camp fees - about \$200 for a parent and their child for three days - can be subsidized or fully funded by donations. McCutcheon said there is always a need for volunteers, and for donations to help support camp operations, and she is grateful for Minden's support.

"It's now four years later and countless families have been supported and refuelled," she said. "People are good."

For more information about the camp, contact McCutcheon at 705-934-0100. Donations can be made to TD Bank, Camp POM, account number 3042-5217458.

Editor's note: The writer's family attended Camp POM.









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Repairing North Shore Road Definition of 'waterfront' revised

by CHAD INGRAM

Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands township will apply to the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund for money to help with repairs to North Shore

The township hired firm Engage Engineering to perform an assessment of the road, portions of which are in rough shape due to heaving, cracking and erosion.

The report identifies four problematic areas in particular – all along the stretch where North Shore Road runs close to the shore of Maple Lake – and suggests a number of potential solutions, that combine ditch regrading, road realignment, new culverts, retaining walls, embankment protection, and the installation of curbs and spillways.

"That's where our major issues are starting to take over, the erosion, the shoreline," public works supervisor Adam Thorn told councillors during an Aug. 16 meeting.

"The cost is definitely up there," Thorn said. The estimated total cost of the work is \$741,400, with \$275,000 coming from the township, and the remainder being paid for through the OCIF, should the application be successful. The township will try to complete the work removing as few trees as possible from along the shoreline and work in some areas may require pumping concrete down to the water's edge

"I'm hearing some horrifying words, that, you know, when you talk about shoreline preservation and all that, it's just really hard to listen to, but this obviously takes priority, we've got to have a road," said Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen.

"Are we in immediate danger of losing more

road if we don't go ahead and do some work | from page 1 soon?" Danielsen asked.

"In the short-term, no, I don't believe," said interim operations manager Brian Nicholson, adding that the township's public works department would continue to perform surface corrections in the meantime.

"What's your plan for communicating with the affected property owners?" asked Mayor Carol Moffatt, "because there could be some folks whose lakeside infrastructure . . . it's quite possible that, if someone has a deck, or a dock, or a set of stairs, that in order to shore up the road, and make it the way it should be, it could preclude them from putting that stuff back in. What's the plan for notifying affected property

Thorn and Nicholson said that would be determined once the work itself was finalized, and chief administrative officer Angie Bird said there would be time between finding out whether or not the funding is granted and the work commencing to determine how communication with property owners would be

Should the grant be approved, it's planned the work would begin next year. The township has previously applied unsuccessfully for funding to assist with repairs to North Shore Road.



That's where our major issues are starting to take over, the erosion, the shoreline

— ADAM THORN



Greg Corbett. The township's zoning bylaw will also be updated.

Corbett said municipalities put various restrictions on such provisions.

"One of the things we often look at, is you can't get any closer," he said. "You might restrict it based on the floor area, let's say a 20 per cent increase, 15, where you can do a specific number."

"Some of them [municipalities] do it on a sliding scale," Corbett continued, explaining that the township may choose to permit larger additions, the further away from the shoreline

In terms of limiting development based on areas prone to flooding, Corbett said that to do this effectively, the township would need to have floodplain mapping performed, something that has not been completed in Algonquin Highlands.

"Since you don't have those elevations, it's difficult to do," he said.

"There are so many changes coming with flooding and climate change and our decision to protect the lakes, that we need whatever tools we can to help the committee of adjustment make their decisions, and if the zoning bylaw's part of that, then I look forward to those discussions," Danielsen said.

Another change for waterfront properties is that the permitted shoreline activity area be reduced from 30 to 25 per cent coverage, up to a maximum of 15 metres, "activity" being the presence of assets such as docks, decks, boating systems, etc.

"Are current activity areas that exist today grandfathered?" asked Councillor Brian Lynch.

"Yes, they would be," Corbett said, adding the new provisions would apply only to new development.

The waterfront designation was revised to include the shoreline areas of all waterbodies, except ones located in designated settlement areas, and residential plans of condominiums or subdivisions will not be permitted within waterfront areas.

Fatal collision on Hwy 60

Huntsville and Killaloe Ontario Provincial Police along with Algonquin Highlands Fire, Lake of Bays Fire and Muskoka EMS attended a motor vehicle collision on highway 60 at the entrance to Algonquin Park's west gate. The collision involved a tour bus along with two other vehicles. The tour bus did not have any passengers on it at the time of the collision.

Huntsville OPP has identified the deceased victims as a 40-year-old female and 40-year-old male from Italy. The bus driver who suffered minor injuries is a 52-yeardriver of the second car, who suffered minor injuries, is a 36-year-old female from Oakville, and her passenger who was transported via ORNGE to a Toronto area hospital suffered non-life threatening injuries a 34-year-old male from Mississauga.

Highway 60 was closed for several hours while Central Region Traffic Collision Investigators assisted the detachment members with the investigation. The clean-up of Highway 60 took extra time to ensure all liquids and debris was removed from the

ALL CANDIDATES MEETINGS

Come out to meet candidates in the upcoming municipal election, hear what they have to say and ask your questions.

> Algonquin Highlands (Wards 1&3): Thursday, Sept. 13 at 7 p.m., **Dorset Recreation Centre**

Highlands East: Thursday, Sept. 20 at 7 p.m., Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce

Minden Hills: Thursday, Sept. 27 at 7 p.m., Minden Hills Community Centre

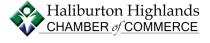
Dysart et al: Thursday, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m., Fleming College, Haliburton

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A young girl hula hoops during Lovefest.

All for love

West Harvey Avenue in Dorset was taken over with love for the annual LoveFest street festival on Saturday, Aug. 18. This event was started by Dorset couple Tara and Caitlin Love following their wedding, which was the same idea as the street festival. This year's event includes live music, artists, food vendors and interactive activities such as hula hooping, a drum circle and yoga. The couple changed their names officially to Love after their son, Jude, was born and after the first LoveFest was held. Tara, who is a local potter, said, "The world can never have enough love." /DARREN LUM Staff



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Love is in the air

Dorset News

burgesslt@me.com

The morning of Saturday, Aug. 18 didn't look like it was going to be very lovely for LoveFest. On the plus side it was a little chilly (for a change), perfect for a street festival, because it meant your clothes wouldn't stick to your body and you could be comfortable walking outside for the first time in months. Midday the sun broke through the clouds and heated up to 25 degrees, but that didn't stop people from coming out and perusing the wares on West Harvey Avenue.

Starting at the post office and heading up the road it was obvious this was a day full of love. Upon entering you were immediately greeted with a friendly smile and a hello. The kids – and kids at heart – could have their faces painted with hearts by the lovely staff of the Dorset Health Hub, and even learn a bit about the Hub. There was also a henna booth for those who wanted something a little longer-lasting. Along the sides of the road vendors were set up selling T-shirts, tie dye clothes, pins, bags, rubs and spices, tea towels - you name it, they had it.

When you were hungry you could stop for something to eat at the far end by the highway and then sit down and enjoy the live entertainment, or even dance in the street. Chetolah Pottery Studio was open for business if you wanted to grab a latte or one of Tara's beautiful creations. There really was something for everyone at LoveFest.

This was the third year for this event and it was evident how much time, effort and love was put in to everything. Visit lovefestdorset.ca for photos and keep an eye out for information concerning LoveFest 2019.

Saturday, Sept. 1 is the annual Dorset Lions Family Fishing Derby and Dinner. Any fish caught that day on any public waterway counts and weigh in is from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Afterward, go to the Dorset Rec Centre for a roast beef dinner (open to everyone) at 5:30 p.m. The price for adults is \$18, children 7-12 are \$12 and kids six and under are free. There are prizes for all as well as trophies and a silent auction. Visit the Dorset Lions Facebook page for more information.

Happy birthday to Barb Townes, Jeffica Pulfrey, Joe Alfano and Mike Rogers. For birthdays and submissions please send them to burgesslt@me.com.



Winners representing the Haliburton/Muskoka District at the nationals

Emphasis of the Canada Senior Games Association 55+ is on participation and keeping active. The first national games were held in Regina, Saskatchewan in 1996.

The games are modelled after the Olympics.

All the participants are given the opportunity for social interaction through opening and closing ceremonies, parade of the province/ territory flags, like the Olympics, banquet, barbecue, dances, nightly entertainment fea-

turing local talent, etc.

Canada 55+ Games provide plenty of opportunities for camaraderie and social interaction with like-minded peers from across

Canada. The nationals are held biennially in the even numbered years (1996 Regina, 1998 Medicine Hat Alberta, 2002 Summerside, PEI, 2004 Whitehorse, YK, 2006 Portage La Prairie, MB, 2008 Dieppe NB., 2010

competitor Jere Pike of Algonquin Highlands won gold in the 75+ men's golf event from the provincial OSGA 55+ senior summer games hosted from Aug. 10 to 12 in Mississauga. There were 1,000 participants from 33 districts across Ontario, including 46 from Haliburton/Muskoka's District 11. Submitted by Bev Kerr

Brockville, ON., 2012 Cape Breton, NS, 2014 Strathcona, AB., 2016 Brampton, ON.)

2018 Canada 55+ Games is a four-day event at venues throughout Saint John and Quispamsis, NB. The games will attract 1,500 plus participants for 24 events from all across Canada, the 10 provinces and three territories and have an economic impact of approximately \$3 million. These games are a nation-wide program to sponsor wellness, mental and physical wellbeing among Canadians 55 years of age and older.

Canada 55+ games show Canadians that there is no age limit to fun and vitality, determination and passion to always stay young at heart. Four hundred participants from Ontario and another 100 to cheer participants on, so approximately 500 from Ontario are attending the Canada 55+ games in St. John, NB. In order to have the opportunity toqualify to compete in the nationals all participants must qualify through their provincial events, winning gold, silver or bronze medals (provincials are in Midland 2016) or if there are openings from territorial (Central Region 2017 in Newmarket).

The winners representing the Haliburton/ Muskoka District at the Canada 55+ games at St. John, NB in August are: cribbage -Bev Alexander of Minden and Kaye Bull of Minden, discus thrower and javelin thrower -Jane Symons of Minden, golf - Robert Pearce of Algonquin Highlands, Karen Heaslip of Gravenhurst, prediction time walking - Frank Ferris of Algonquin Highlands, Sharon Ferris of Algonquin Highlands, Jane Symons of Minden, John Kerr of Haliburton and Bev Kerr of Haliburton.

Good luck to the winners of the Haliburton/ Muskoka District who will represent the district at the Canada Games 55+ 2018 in NB.

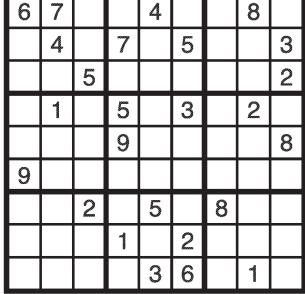
-Submitted by Bev Kerr



The OSGA 55+ senior games District 11 (Haliburton/Muskoka) competitors Bev Kerr, a prediction time walker, left, cribbage player Bev Alexander, prediction The Haliburton/Muskoka District 11 time walker John Kerr, cribbage player Kaye Bull, prediction time walkers Sharon Ferris and Frank Ferris will compete in the national event in St. John, New Brunswick in August. Absent from the picture are Robert Pearce, Karen Heaslip, both are golfers, and predicion time walker Jane Symons./DARREN LUM Staff

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Answers on page 22



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the Planning Act and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held Monday, September 10th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, this Application for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

> 1. File No. H-035/17 Applicant: Colin Job Location of the Property: Pt Lot 1, Concession 12, Geographic Township of Sherborne, Now in the Township of Algonquin Highlands Nature of the Application: To create a new lot

2. File No. H-015/18

Applicant: Fred Heinzler & Laura Walker Location of the Property: Pt Lot 29, Concession A, Geographic Township of Sherborne, Now in the Township of Algonquin Highlands Nature of the Application: To create a new lot

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal may dismiss the appeal

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 23rd day of August, 2018.

Secretary-Treasurer Haliburton County Land Division Committee 11 Newcastle Street P O Box 399 Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 Telephone: (705) 286-1333 or 1-866-886-8815, Ext. 248 Fax: (705) 286-4829 E-mail: Igillan@county.haliburton.on.ca





An apple a day

Volunteers were busy peeling, chopping and puréeing donated apples for apple sauce and apple crisp on Monday, Aug. 20 at the Minden Community Kitchen located on Newcastle Street in Minden. This was the first day for the Apple Sauce Project effort, which will continue into September, and helps to produce food for seniors and families in the Minden area. The kitchen asks the public for apple donations which can be dropped at the back door entrance. /DARREN LUM Staff



Behind the scenes

Above, Four-year-old Brooke Mathewson of Minden visited the Minden fire hall on Aug. 20, which was open to the public as part of the "Make It Minden" series. Visitors could chat with firefighters, explore fire trucks and play with Echo, left, the fire dog. Make It Minden organizer Lynda Litwin said the firefighters went out on a call just before the event began - the first time that has happened in about 10 years of the Make it Minden fire hall visit - but they were back in time to greet guests. The next and last Make It Minden event of the 2018 season features the Haliburton Highlands Time Travellers classic car show on Aug. 23 at Kawartha Dairy. The series was sponsored by Lynda Litwin - RE/MAX North Country Realty Inc. Brokerage, Molly's Bistro & Bakery, County Sign and Dominion Hotel. /SUE TIFFIN Staff





The Minden Minor Baseball League held one last night of games for its players to end this year and came together for a group photo (includes coaches and parents/ guardians) on Monday, Aug. 21 at the Minden Ball Fields. Organized by Minden residents and passionate baseball fans Tammy and Craig Smith./Submitted by **Dave Taylor**

Baseball league wraps for season

So that's a wrap! Sad faces in our house today but also big, big smiles that we successfully completed our first Minden Minor Baseball League season with only a few very minor hiccups! So very proud of all the support and love that everyone showed us in our first official year running the best youth league in the world. Thank you just doesn't seem to cut it, but here we go.

Thank you to all the 230 players, the parents, grandparents, siblings and families that came every week to cheer them on and lend a hand when needed. Cheryl Hamilton for the wonderful pictures she captured of the teams and players and beyond! The Minden Lions Club for the yummy barbecue they set up and ran for us! The township of Minden Hills for setting up the diamonds each week and letting us have the diamonds for free for our first year! Brian McMillan Sports for the great job on our shirts, hats and medals! Floyd Hall for setting up our insurance! All the wonderful sponsors!

Our volunteers Jill Hamilton, Linda Hamilton, Nick Chinery, Ruthie Parker, Caleb Parker, Olivia Johnson. Our coaches Derek Carpenter, Phil Neville, Alex Frybort, Ron Dennis, Ricky Danilko, Ava Smith, Alexius Mills, Marjorie Voicey, Brandon Logan, Chris Little, Audrey Carter, Jenny Smith, Stu

Hurd, Nick Daw, Darren Gilbert, Cole Prentice, Colin Crowe, Tyler Martin, John Teljeur, Cody Martin, Brendan Newhook, Dawn Hurd, Shawn Currie, John Collins, Lena Pelow, Darren Lum, Matt Harding, Cheryl Hamilton, Derek Little, Aiden Neave, Nigel Smith, Jake Sisson, Nathan Miscio, Jeff Martin, Krysta Neave, Brian Alexander, Karen London and Dave Stewart.

This is what it takes to run a successful league and we are so happy and honoured that you all put in your time and effort for the kids. Thank you everyone and see you next summer!

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-Submitted by Tammy Smith

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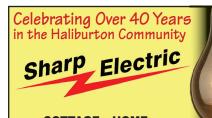
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Practising Puccini

Colline, left, Rodolfo and Marcello, played by Highlands Opera Studio students Brenden Friesen, left, Rocco Rupolo and Max van Wyck, sing during a rehearsal for the first act of the opera La Bohéme on Wednesday, Aug. 16 at St. George's United Church in Haliburton. Puccini's opera of love and loss, which includes Richard Margison and Kurt Browning, is one of several performances by the Highlands Opera Studio. For more information and a list of performance schedules see www. highlandsoperastudio.com./DARREN LUM Staff



Schuanard, played by Highlands Opera Studio student Micah Schroeder, sings during a rehearsal for the first act of the opera La Bohéme.

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Rick Jones & Hard Country in the Clubroom

When: Saturday, Aug. 25, 4 to 7 p.m. Where: Haliburton Legion, Clubroom Cost: \$5 cover charge for non-members

50/50 draw at 6 p.m. Enjoy delicious cabbage rolls for \$6 by the Ladies Auxiliary

Eighth Annual Lantern Festival

Of The August Moon

When: Aug. 25, 5 p.m.

Where: the Wild Swan Bed and Breakfast,

65 Invergordon, Minden,

Enjoy an opportunity to partake in a piece of Japanese culture. There will be Japanese games, Japanese food, brush painting, a Japanese tea ceremony and lantern painting. The lantern festival is modelled on the bon festival, an annual event in Japan in remembrance of family members, pets and other loved ones who have departed.

Country Gospel Show with Gord Kidd and

Shawn Chamberlin

When: Sunday, Aug. 26, 12 to 3:30 p.m.

Where: Dominion Hotel

For more information: www.gordkidd.com

Tiki Country Classic Show

with Gord Kidd and Friends, Shawn Chamberlin & Ian Pay featuring Don Stiver at the Dominion Hotel

When: Tuesday, Aug. 28, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Where: Dominion Hotel

For more information: www.gordkidd.com

An Evening of Song and Story

When: Friday Aug. 31, 7 to 10 p.m.

Where: Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre, 23 York St. An Evening of Song and Story in the Calypso Tradition with Roger Gibbs, Joe Truss, Bazza, Albert Saxby, John Proctor and friends. A fundraising event for Haliburton DrumFest. Call 705-457-2330 for tickets.

Haliburton DrumFest

When: Saturday, Sept. 1, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. A family friendly celebration of the awesomeness of rhythm with community Drum Circles and Demonstrations all day, a costumed procession you can take part in, the lively sounds of Nhapitapi Mbira, Oregano Percussion and 19 piece Northern Lights Steel Pan Orchestra on the Main Stage; food and craft vendors, dancing and participatory activities for all ages. FREE admission FB/ haliburtondrumfest or call Rails End Gallery and Art Centre

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County studio tour hosts preview at Finn's

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

The Haliburton County Studio Tour will host a preview show of this year's tour during the first two weeks of September at the Finn Artists' Centre on Newcastle Street in Minden.

"We're trying to give people a taste of the artwork they'll see on the tour," explains organizer Pat Jones, whose husband Gord is a watercolour artist.

The studio tour itself takes place the last weekend of September and the first weekend of October, Thanksgiving

weekend, Oct. 6 and 7.

The show at Finn's will serve as a microcosm of the works by the artists whose studios residents can visit during the tour.

'We have a good variety of artwork," Jones says, explaining the preview show will include glass art, pottery, textiles, woodworking, weaving, quilting, fabric art and several types

The show will open Sept. 1 and run until Sept. 15, and will be available for viewing during Finn's regular hours, Wednesdays through Sunday, from noon until 4 p.m.

This will be the 31st year for the Haliburton County Studio Tour, which has featured the work of more than 200 artists over the decades.



Big Bike in Minden

Participants ride the Big Big in support of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada through Minden on Aug. 14. CHAD INGRAM Staff

Upcoming Events On Your Lake

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Saturday, August 25, 2 to 5 p.m.

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South Lake Association of Cottagers and Residents

Saturday, Aug. 25 at 12 p.m. 1224 Hamilton Road

Don't Forget To Check Out Slacar's Web- Site For Updated Information – www.slacar.ca

Kushog Lake

Life on Kushog Lake photo contest Deadline: Aug. 31 Email your high-res photos to photos@kushoglake.org. See www.kushoglake.org for contest rules.

Drag and Spruce Lakes

Golf Day/ Lunch

Saturday, Sept. 1

Location: Haliburton Golf Course (* please check website for changes)

Cost: \$45.00 Time: 10:00 AM

As usual - cost Includes cart, 9 holes, lunch and prizes! Call Wayne Hussey (705) 457-2892 or Robert Young (705) 457-2577 to register

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Twelve Mile, Little **Boshkung Lakes** Association

Fall Road Cleanup

Saturday, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.

Horseshoe Lake Property Owners Association

Horseshoe Lake Golf Tournament

When: Saturday, Sept.1

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Pay attention to this tip to answer next week's question!

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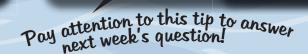
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Inside Carnivalfun

Minden's annual Rotary Carnival had fun and excitement for everyone who came out last Wednesday.

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What next? Province digs hooks into ice fishing huts

by Jerry Grozelle

If rumours emanating from the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH) are true, the provincial government is poised to inflict yet another series of taxes on

In a press release issued recently, the OFAH claims that Premier Bob Rae and company are set to charge some as yet unspecified fees for a number of services which were previously provided as a service to outdoors devotees.

Among the alleged proposals

* A tax on ice fishermen for using a hut

* A charge for caching a boat on Crown Land

* A charge to cottage owners for MNR site in-

spections Charging taxes on illegally constructed buildings on Crown Land, instead of demolishing these buildings as was the previous practice.

Of particular importance to the local economy is the fee for ice hut use.

Will the fee be charged to only the users of ice huts? Will ice hut operators be hit with another tax? How much will the tax be? These are some of the questions that anyone who fishes through the ice or operates ice huts during the winter months will be anxious to have answered.

Although no confirmed figure has been attached to the ice hut tax, speculation is as high as \$50.

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Minden's Rotary Carnival was a huge hit for the hundreds of people who turned out at the community Centre last Wednesday. A wide selection of rides and games to suit all ages was available. There were also games of chance and live entertainment. For more photos, please see page 17.

Light Show

A spectacular electrical storm reached the Highlands last Wednesday night, bringing an abrupt close to the rides at the Minden Rotary Carnival. Although the storm lasted for more than an hour, the lightning caused little damage to Hydro lines. The Minden Hydro office reports that service was interupted in several sections of the county, but crews were able to repair most of the damaged lines within a few hours.

Funding delayed: Ministry demands solid justification for spending

by Russ Duhaime

Continued delays in securing the promised funding for an addition to the Haliburton Hospital is heightening the frustration level of the committee members who recommended this move.

This county's health care planning committee was told last week that the Ministry of Health

is holding up the process while it evaluates the committee's recommendation to build a long-termcare facility next to the hospital in Haliburton village. David Thomas, the ministry's regional hospital consultant, said internal meetings are being held to review the committee's recommendations. He said the process was further delayed while the ministry sought information that was absent from the Coulson Report.

Haliburton County has been promised provincial funding for the creation of up to 30 new long-term-care beds. In order to secure this funding, Coulson Consultants were paid \$65,000

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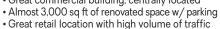
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